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SUBJECT: SECOND ECLA POPULATION MEETING

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1. WORKING GROUP MARCH 5 CONTINUED CONSIDERATION CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS UNTIL 3:30 A.M. MARCH 6. SECTION ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (PARA 29) CAUSED SHARPEST CONTROVERSY WHEN DRAFTING GROUP (PARA REFTEL) PROPOSED FOLLOWING LANGUAGE CHANGE "WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO BILATERAL COOPERATION CHanneled IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SOVEREIGN WILL OF EACH COUNTRY, FINANCIAL COOPERATION IN THE POPULATION FIELD SHOULD BE INCREASINGLY CHanneled MULTILATERAL

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LY AND UNTIED". USDEL TOOK POSITION WORDS "SHOULD BE INCREASINGLY CHanneled" WERE UNACCEPTABLE AND PROPOSED QUALIFYING MODIFIERS "AS APPROPRIATE". SUPPORTED IN VOTE 9 (U.S.)-8-2. LATER IN AFTERNOON AFTER PARLIAMENTARY MANEUVERING, BRAZIL ADDED PARA TO 25, LATER AMENDED BY DOMINICAN REPUBLIC IN COMPROMISE EFFORT, REEMPHASIZING IN Milder WAY ECLASS PREFERENCE FOR MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE WITH STRONG REGIONAL INVOLVEMENT. WHILE TEXT Milder THAN ORIGINAL PARA 25, USDEL VOTED AGAINST ADOPTION AS DEROGATION OF SOVERIGNTY OF NATIONS TO SELECT FORM OF ASSISTANCE. VOTE WENT AGAINST US 12-7 (U.S., BARBADOS, COLOMBIA, JAMAICA, NETHERLANDS, PARAGUAY AND TIRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) -3.

2. OTHER 19 PARAS OF 44 PARA DOCUMENT EMPHASIZE REGIONAL INVOLVEMENT IN WPPA IMPLEMENTATION 13 PRINCIPLES OF WPPA (14 A-M) BUT NO SPECIAL  
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EMPHASIS ON 14 (F) AND 14 (H), AND COMPLEX INTERRELATIONSHIP

OF DOMESTIC POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC/SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN MANY LA COUNTRIES. LANGUAGE OF THESE PARAS (35-37) WERE SO UNACCEPTABLE TO COSTA RICA, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, AND CUBA THAT SECRETARIAT ASKED TO REDRAFT. CUBA AND COLOMBIA ATTACKED "BRAIN DRAIN" IN PARAS ON INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION. CUBA USED PARTS OF STATEMENT IN PLENARY TO ACCUSE U.S. OF GAINING \$3.7 BILLION IN SKILLED PROFESSIONALS IN 1970; MORE THAN THE TOTAL OF U.S. FOREIGN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. USDEL MADE NO REPLY DUE TO LATENESS OF HOUR BUT PLANS LOW-KEY RESPONSE MARCH 6 ALONG LINES MIGRATION PORTION OF AMBASSADOR JOVA'S SPEECH. OTHER PARAS EMPHASIZING NEED IN LA COUNTRIES FOR IMPROVED HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND SOCIAL SERVICES WERE SO POORLY DRAFTED BY EXECUTIVE PANEL THAT CHAIR, AT SUGGESTION OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, REQUESTED IT AND CUBA REWRITE RECOMMENDATION FOR FINAL REPORT FOR PLENARY CONSIDERATION.

3. COMMENT: USDEL SERIOUSLY CONCERNED OVER MINIMAL ATTENTION PAID FAMILY PLANNING ASPECTS OF WPPA IN SUPPLEMENTARY CONFERENCE DOCUMENT (L.8), ALTHOUGH BASIC DOCUMENTS (L.4 AND L.5) COVER THESE SUBJECTS. WE PLAN PROPOSE MARCH 6 IN P.M. WORKING GROUP SESSION INCLUSION PARAS 36 AND 37 IN SUPPLEMENTARY. HOPE TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE SPANISH-SPEAKING AND ONE ENGLISH-SPEAKING COUNTRY COSPONSOR.  
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